

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT**

Public Servants - State Tax Department - Surprise check on the Integrated Check Post, Purushothapuram, Itchapuram Mandal, Srikakulam District on 25-03-2015 - Article of Charges framed -Appointment of Inquiry Officer -Orders Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE-VI) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.517

Dt.29-05-2023

Read the following:-

- 1.From DG., ACB, Lr.No.61/DES-VSK/2015, dt.05-01-2016
2. G.O.Ms.No.266, Revenue (Vig.II) Department dated:14.09.2020.
3. G.O.Rt.Nos. 741 to 758 , Rev (Vig.II) Dept., dt: 14.09.2020.
4. Govt., memo REV-17023/3/2016-VIG II - REV, Dt:22.12.2021

ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, the Directorate General (DG) of Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB), Vijayawada, has reported credible information regarding the habitual engagement of corrupt practices by the staff working at the Integrated Check Post in Purushottapuram, Itchapuram Mandal, Srikakulam District. It has come to light that these staff members, through the misuse of their official positions, have been collecting illegal gratifications directly or through intermediaries from the crew members/owners of vehicles passing through the check posts A surprise check was conducted at the Check Post on 25-03-2015, the counters maintained by the CT Dept., (3 Counters, i.e., Incoming & Out going, Transit pass counter and user charges counter), Transport Dept.,(one counter), Excise Dept(one counter), Agri. Marketing Committee (one Counter) & Forest Dept(one counter)s During the check, certain irregularities were found and recommended to initiate disciplinary proceedings against the staff working in the Check Post for violation of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964 by taking departmental action.

2. Whereas, in the reference 2nd read above, a common Disciplinary action was initiated against Smt. Ratnala Anasuya, DCTOs, and Seventeen (17) others Suspected Officers under Rule 24 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991.

3. And whereas, in reference 3rd read above the Articles of Charges were framed against the Accused Officers under Rule 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991. However, the Charged Officers have not submitted their explanations/WSDs to the concerned authority within the stipulated period. The government have concluded that since the time for submission of explanations by the Charged Officers has expired, it is appropriate to proceed with a regular inquiry against all the (17) Charged Officers, excluding the late Barakala Ramarao, former ACTO, by appointing the Inquiry Officers, under Rule 20 of APCS (CCA) Rules, 1991.

4. Now, therefore, in exercise of the power conferred by Sub-Rule (2) of Rule 20 of the said Rules, Government hereby appoint JC (ST) Sri Y. Kiran Kumar, Joint Commissioner, (ST), O/o CCST, Guntur as an Inquiry Officer to inquire into the charges framed against Smt. Ratnala Anasuya, DCTOs, and Seventeen (17) others Suspected Officers The Inquiring Authority shall submit his inquiry report within two months, in duplicate, with his own attestation.

5. Copies of the Articles of Charge framed against the Charged Officer and Written Statement of Defences are enclosed.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**N.GULZAR
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To
Sri Y. Kiran Kumar, Joint Commissioner, (ST), O/o CCST
(through the CCST, A.P, Guntur)

The Chief Commissioner of State Tax, A.P., Kunchanapalli, Guntur.
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//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

K. Sreenu
SECTION OFFICER
